8th March 1961] [Mr. Speaker]

MR. SPEAKER : The Chair would like to associate itself with the resolution just now moved by the Hon. the Leader of the House. Pandit Govind Ballabh Pant was one of the architects of our freedom. Together with Mahatma Gandhi, Sardar Vallabhai Patel and Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, he struggled hard and suffered much for the attainment of freedom for our country. After the attainment of freedom, he was one of the pillars of our administration. Both in Uttar Pradesh where he was Chief Minister and at the Centre where he was the Home Minister, he showed administrative capacity of an extremely high order. He was respected by everybody for his honesty, integrity and steadfastness. His death creates a void which it is very difficult to fill. It is poignant that it should have occurred when our Prime Minister is not in Delhi, because Pandit Pant was our Prime Minister's great friend, philosopher and guide. I am afraid it will take a long time for us to discover another Govind Ballabh Pant who was very much respected by all. On his death, tributes were paid to him by all people belonging to all parties. I shall convey the resolution to the members of the bereaved family. May his soul rest in peace.

As a mark of respect and by way of passing the resolution moved by the Hon. the Leader of the House, I should like the hon. Members to stand in silence for two minutes."

The resolution was carried *nem con.* all the Members of the Assembly standing in silence for two minutes.

II.—QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

STARRED QUESTIONS.

Tanks

*651 *Q.*—SRI S. M. ANNAMALAI: கனம் பொது மராமத்து அமைச்சர் அவர்கள் தயவுசெய்து கீழ்க்கண்ட கேள்விக்குப் பதிலளிப்பாரா—

வடாற்காடு மாவட்டம், போளூர் தாலூகாவில் இராமாபுரம், வேளானந்தல் கிராமங்களில் புதிய ஏரிகள் கட்டுவது எந்த நிலையில் உள்ளது ?

THE HON. SRI P. KAKKAN : A proposal for the formation of a tank in Ramapuram village has been dropped. The formation of a tank in Velanandal village is considered not worthwhile.

Agriculturists (Eviction)

*652 *Q.*—SRI P. S. CHINNADURAI : கனம் உள்துறை அமைச்சர் அவர்கள் தயவு செய்து கீழ்க்கண்ட கேள்விகளுக்குப் பதிலளிப்பாரா—

(அ) மதுரை ஜில்லா, பழனி தாலூகா "கரிக்காரன் காட்டுப்" பகுதியில் சென்ற இருபது ஆண்டுகளுக்கு மேலாக விவசாயம் செய்து கொண்டு வரும் ஏழை விவசாயிகளை பிரஸ்தாபப் பகுதியில் விவசாயம் செய்ய விடாமல் தடுக்க ஒருசிலர்